# The Town of Avon Announces Household Hazardous Waste Collections for 2016!

The Town of Avon, in conjunction with Canton, Farmington, Granby, and Simsbury will be holding three household hazardous waste collections in 2016! Each collection will run from 8:00am to 1:00pm. Avon residents can no longer participate in any of the MDC Household Hazardous Waste Collections.

#### The collection schedule is as follows:

April 30, 2016 – Farmington High School, 10 Monteith Drive, Farmington, CT June 18, 2016 – Simsbury Public Works Facility, 66 Town Forest Rd., Simsbury, CT November 5, 2016 – Simsbury Public Works Facility, 66 Town Forest Rd., Simsbury, CT

### At each collection, the following additional service will be provided to residents:

Electronics Recycling (e-waste with Freon will not be accepted)

#### **COMMON HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION QUESTIONS**

# What items are acceptable?

Fluorescent and compact fluorescent light bulbs

Batteries - common household batteries including rechargeable batteries (excluding car batteries)

Lawn Care Chemicals – fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides, fungicides

Switches or Items Containing Mercury – thermometers, thermostats, motion detectors Household cleaners – acids, adhesives, aerosol cans, ammonia, drain cleaner, disinfectants, moth balls, etc.

Chemicals from the garage or workshop - antifreeze, ant/bug spray or bait, brake fluid, old gasoline, oil based paint, lighter fluid, polyurethane, pool chemicals, road flares, transmission fluid, power steering fluid, wood stain, etc.

## What items are <u>not</u> acceptable?

 $Ammunition\ and/or\ Explosives\ (including\ gunpowder)\ -\ Call\ your\ local\ Police\ Department.$ 

Asbestos

Business Waste – this collection is only for residential waste

Car Batteries

Cement

**Electronic Waste with Freon** 

Empty Containers - A container is considered empty when no more than one inch or 3% (by weight) of material is left in the container, these can be disposed of in the regular trash. Fire Extinguishers

Marine Flares – Pyrotechnic flares cannot be accepted at the Collection because they are categorized as explosives.

Ice Melt – Ice melt is not hazardous and can be disposed of in the regular trash.

Latex Driveway Sealer (Genite) – Driveway sealer is not hazardous; solidify then throw in the regular trash.

Medicine/Drugs/Needles/Syringes

Propane Tanks for Gas Grills Appliances Smoke Detectors Tires Used Oil & Oil Filters



## How can I get rid of latex paint?

You can bring your paint to the household hazardous waste collection or because latex paint is non-hazardous, you can dry the latex paint and put it in your regular trash. Mixing sand or kitty litter into the paint will accelerate the

drying process. Once the paint is dry you can throw the can, with the lid off, into your regular trash.

Paint can also be brought to the Avon Transfer Station at no charge to the resident through the Connecticut *PaintCare* program during normal business hours. Tuesday and Friday 7:30am – 2:30pm and Saturday, 7:30am – 1:00pm. No permit is required, however you must show proof of residency.

## How do I dispose of my Electronic Recycling items with Freon?

Avon's Transfer Station will accept air conditioners, dehumidifiers, and refrigerator/freezers during their normal operating hours. No permit or fee is required, however you must show proof of residency.

